

RUSSELL PLANS FIGHT ON GROSS OIL TAX LAW

Expected He Will Present Minority Report on the Measure.

WILL BRING A HOT SCRAP IN SENATE

House Spends Much Time on Usury; Upper Branch in Caucuses.

(By Staff Correspondent.)
OKLAHOMA CITY, Feb. 3.—The senate committee on revenue and taxation will submit a majority report on the gross production tax bill as passed by the house a few days ago. The bill as perfected by a majority of the senate committee will contain provisions amending suggestions made to the committee at a public hearing Tuesday night. Campbell Russell, representing the minority of the committee, probably will present a minority report which goes directly to the process of distributing the tax. The reports will not be made to the senate before tomorrow, as that body adjourned today until 10 o'clock Friday.

The senate committee held its last session last night, although the meeting was not in a public hearing. It is expected that the committee will meet Tuesday night to outline some changes concerning which the attorney-general had been consulted and he agreed that they were necessary to the complete success of the operation of the law.

These the committee agreed to, and it is believed they will be acceptable to the house, as they do not in any way change the intent of the law. But Campbell Russell objected to the process of distribution, while with the senate committee. The effect of the Russell proposition would be to turn the entire money into the state treasury, and not distribute directly each half of the tax back to the counties from whence it came. This is the vital part of the bill and it is expected that when it comes up on the floor of the senate a contest will occur. It is not known at this time what strength can be mustered for the position taken by Senator Russell, but he probably will present a minority report.

Four Changes Made.
The bill was not changed by the senate committee but little from what it was as passed by the house. The

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TULSA WOMEN WILL ATTEND CONFERENCE

Leave This Morning for Oklahoma City Y. W. C. A. Meeting.

Between thirty and forty Tulsa girls and women will leave this morning for Oklahoma City where they will attend the southwestern conference of the Young Women's Christian association. The occasion will open the activities of the "jubilee" in celebration of the fiftieth anniversary of the association in America.

The conference will last today, tomorrow and Sunday and the Tulsa delegation is planning to make a number of similar conferences will be held throughout the "jubilee" at the following places: Fort Worth, Texas, February 11-12; San Antonio, Texas, February 13-14; Houston, Texas, February 15-16; Tulsa, Oklahoma, February 17-18. Tulsa will attend all these meetings.

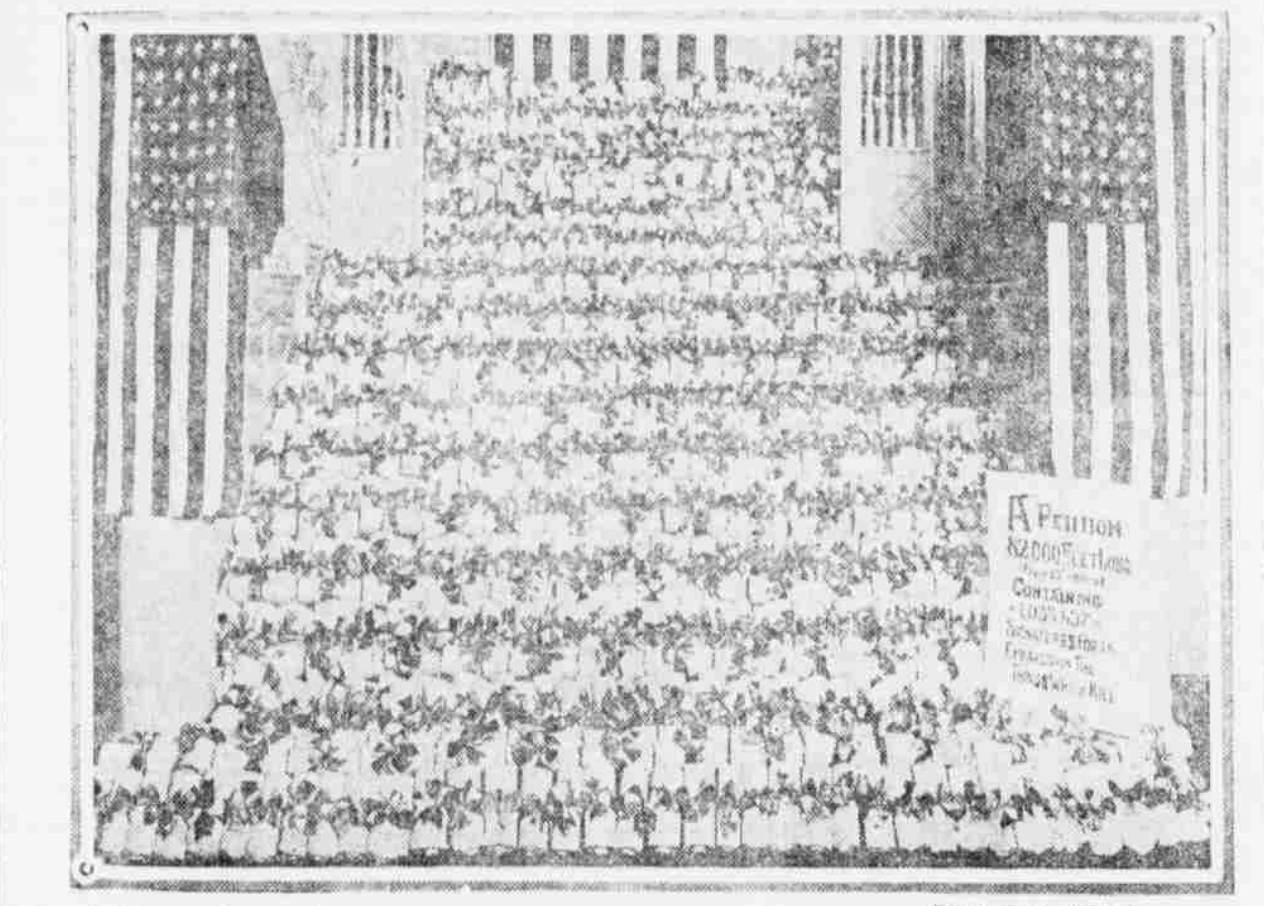
In addition to the regular sessions, Oklahoma City has arranged parents, mass meetings, special motion pictures, and other features.

Following are those who will represent the Tulsa association: Mrs. A. W. Roth, Miss Mildred M. Keisley, Mrs. J. D. Richards, Mrs. J. A. Chapman, Misses Eva Garner, Mildred Hanson, Grace Stewart, Ruth Davis, Alice Pierce, Anita Dumit and Florence Heald.

Miss Ethel Skidow, Miss Jessie Tevst and Miss Ruth Zoller will be delegates from the high school association and Kendall will send fifteen girls, the names of whom have not been announced.

INVESTIGATE R. R. EXPLOSION
Probe May Result in Recommendations for Better Conditions.

A Petition Fifteen Miles in Length for an Embargo on Munitions to Belligerents to Be Presented to Congress



WASHINGTON, Feb. 3.—A petition asking for an embargo on munitions to belligerent countries, 15 miles long, has been presented to congress by the organization of American Women for Strict Neutrality.

SAYS PROSECUTION IS HUGE FRAME-UP

"Combine to Railroad an Innocent Woman to Prison."

TO JURY SATURDAY

Murder of Dr. Mohr Characterized as the "Act of an Apache."

PROVIDENCE, R. I., Feb. 3.—Accusing certain witnesses for the state of combining to "railroad an innocent woman to prison," William H. Lewis, of counsel for the defense in the trial of Mrs. Elizabeth F. Mohr and two negroes charged with the murder of her husband, made a dramatic appeal to the jury in his closing argument today. Mr. Lewis, counsel for Cecil Brown, one of the negro defendants, asserted that the state was relying on circumstantial evidence and that there was nothing reliable—that it had sent many innocent persons to jail. He condemned the police method of investigating the murder by getting so-called confessions from prisoners.

He declared that George W. Heald, the negro chauffeur who turned state's evidence, in his confession merely had shielded himself. He argued that a so-called confession was extorted.

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PHILIPPINE BILL IS DELAYED

New Proposals Hold Up Final Action By the Senate.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 3.—New proposals relating to the conditions under which independence would be granted delayed final senate action on the Philippine bill today and when a recess was taken until tomorrow some leaders were doubtful whether a vote could be reached this week.

The Clarke amendment adopted yesterday under which the president would be authorized to grant independence within four years or might delay it after that period if he desired to consult congress was under fire in the debate today and the senate declined, 18 to 32, to table a proposal by Senator Hitchcock changing these provisions.

BY OLD RAILROAD TIES

British Government to Pay a Nickel Each For Them.

BOSTON, Feb. 3.—An offer of 5 cents a piece for 100,000 castoff railroad ties was received today by the Boston & Maine railroad from the British government. Formerly the railroad burned all its old ties, but orders were sent throughout the system today directing that they be saved. It is understood that the British government is negotiating with other railroads in the hope of obtaining a half million ties for use in constructing trenches in France.

The World's Traveling Agents—Beware of Impostors.

The following are the traveling representatives of THE TULSA DAILY WORLD, who are authorized to solicit and receipt for subscriptions. Pay money to the following only: R. W. Lamb, C. G. Miller and S. R. Stiller.

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FIRE SPREADS PANIC AMONG LEGISLATORS

OTTAWA, Ontario, Feb. 3.—Fire of unknown origin broke out in the reading room of the main house of parliament just after a resumption of the sitting tonight. Many legislators escaped through windows and down ladders. The bodies of two women were recovered from the commons gallery during the fire. The entire fire department was ordered out to combat the flames.

The flames spread rapidly and many legislators had difficulty in finding their way through the dense smoke that filled the corridors.

Martin Burrell, minister of agriculture, was severely burned about the head. Dr. Michael Clark, member for Red Deer, was burned about the hands.

A woman who has not been identified jumped from the second story of the building and was severely injured. Several persons who were overcome with smoke were taken to hospitals. Sir Robert Borden, the premier, escaped safely.

Part of the roof over the reading room and chamber collapsed soon after the fire was discovered. The reading room is situated at the north-east corner of the commons chamber.

Mayor Martin of Montreal, a member of parliament, has ordered the Montreal fire department to this city.

INDICTMENT QUASHED BY ORDER OF COURT

NEW YORK, Feb. 3.—Judge Henry D. Clayton in federal district court today ordered quashed the original indictment returned against officers and directors of the New York, New Haven & Hartford railroad, who recently were tried and acquitted before Judge William H. Hunt on a superseding indictment charging them with being concerned in a conspiracy to monopolize trade in violation of the Sherman anti-trust law. The same charge was made in the indictment ordered quashed.

VIOLATE SPANISH NEUTRALITY

Germany Says Allies Punish Troops Who Cross Border.

BERLIN, via wireless to Sarville, N. Y., Feb. 3.—Among the items given out today by the Overseas News agency for publication was the following: "English and French newspapers insist upon the prosecution by Anglo-French troops of German troops who may cross the frontier of the Spanish colony of Guinea (Africa). The Spanish government already has declared that it is able to care for itself in maintaining neutrality. The North German Gazette says that Germany does not intend to cause difficulties to the Spanish government and that all measures will be taken by such German troops as cross the border for their own disarming."

"The future will show," says the North German Gazette, "whether England and France will dare violate Spanish neutrality in the same way as they have violated Greek neutrality."

Paris Sees Eclipse

PARIS, Feb. 3.—(6 p. m.)—The Paris observatory reports that the eclipse of the sun took place today at 4:33 p. m. or 15 minutes before sunset. The sun was low near the horizon for any observations to be made. It also was shrouded in a mist. The eclipse was total at Gaudeloupe, where it began at 10:50 a. m. and ended at 1:51 p. m. The sun was entirely covered at Gaudeloupe for a little more than two minutes.

HARRIS DEALING IN PERSONALITIES

Sees Certain Defeat So He Takes Desperate Means to Win.

M'GRAW FIGHT CLEAN

Refusal to Attack Opponent and Supporters Wins Admiration.

Special to The World.

OKLAHOMA CITY, Feb. 3.—"When Jim McGraw consented to be a candidate for Republican national committeeman, he was emphatic in his instructions that the campaign should be upon broad campaign lines and between him and Mr. Harris," said E. E. Blake, chairman of the McGraw campaign committee, today.

Mr. Blake continued: "He stated that under no condition would he tolerate personal abuse of Mr. Harris or any of Mr. Harris' friends; that the active work of the whole party was more important to the state than that any individual or set of individuals should hold office. But in an interview in the Oklahoma Times of January 31, and another in The Oklahoma of February 1, indicates that it is not Mr. Harris' intention to maintain such dignified position. In the interview given to the publications of the date mentioned, Mr. Harris, of his ill-adviced friends, go out of their way to abuse the party leaders whose support he should have as a party officer, and thereby making it more apparent that he is in the wrong place. It is not difficult to interpret the

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BANK CLERK IS SENTENCED

Must Spend Years in Pen for Greasy Out Information.

NEW YORK, Feb. 3.—Frederick Schindler, formerly a clerk in the National City bank, convicted of selling confidential information regarding the shipment of munitions to the victor allies, was today sentenced to the penitentiary for an intermediate term. Schindler was accused of furnishing the bank's private telegrams and other documents to Paul Koehn, the reputed head of the German secret service in this city.

British Steamer Sunk

LONDON, Feb. 3.—(8:25 p. m.)—The British steamer Franz Fischer of London has been sunk. Of her crew only three men were saved.

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PARTNER wanted in business with small amount of money. Will explain when you come up. Call 4036.

Twenty replies in one day was the result from one insertion of the above

World Want Ad

If you need more money in YOUR business why not try a similar ad yourself? You'll get results.

Increase in Consumption and Decrease of Crude Output Is Cause of Rise in Gasoline

PRESENT USAGE LESSES TO HOLD THEIR ACREAGE

Substitute Resolution Rule in Favor of Barnsdall Oil Company.

PAGE MAY BE GIVEN 100,000-ACRE LEASE

Committee's Report Will Cause Greater Upheaval in Situation.

BULLETIN.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 3.—It was learned late tonight that the sub-committee, composed of Senators Hastings, Grimes and Curtis will tomorrow report a substitute contribution to the senate Indian committee extending the oil and gas leases of the present change leases for one year from March 15 next, provided they will agree to pay a one-fifth royalty on oil and a 2 cent per thousand cubic feet for gas at the well site, the royalties to be operated under the government supervision of all oil and gas wells. The proceeds from the developed territory, in excess of the operating expenses and royalty payments, to be placed in escrow until further action by congress. The present subsidies, if they so desire, may operate their present property for one year or pending further action by congress, but if unwilling to accept the terms as provided in the present act, they must surrender their leases March 15, together with all wells and equipment in the leasehold, when the government will take charge of the property.

A member of the senate Indian committee tonight declared that this would mean "exclusion" of the oil and gas industry in the change nation, and that all the oil and gas industries dependent upon the lease nation for gas would be forced to pay at least 5 cents a barrel, and for gas.

(By John W. Elennor.)
WASHINGTON, Feb. 3.—At a two hours' executive session of the senate Indian committee today an unsuccessful effort was made to pass through a substitute for the Oliver amendment so as to permit the present oil and gas leases in the Foster Indian lease in the Osage nation to continue in undisturbed possession of their present lessees for another year, pending further action by congress. The committee adjourned without

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RAILROAD MEN PROTESTING

Bill Would Provide For New Methods of Charging For Mail.

CHICAGO, Feb. 3.—A telegram protesting against the proposed to change the basis of railroad mail pay from the weight to a rate-reduced basis was sent to Congressmen James R. Mann today. It was signed by Hale Holden, president of the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy; C. H. Markham, president of the Illinois Central; J. M. Dwyer, president of the Chicago Great Western; A. J. Harding, president of the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul; W. G. Reed, president of the Chicago & North Western; and J. E. Gorman, chief executive of the Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific, and W. A. Gardner, president of the Chicago & North Western. The telegram asserts that the provisions of the proposed legislation are impracticable and would work an injury to the railroads and alleges that it is in violation of the appropriation act in its attempt to increase the mail of the proposition is possible.

Mayors to Hold Conference

NEW ORLEANS, Feb. 3.—Mayor Martin Behrman today stated that he had accepted the invitation of Mayor Mitchell of New York to join with him and Mayor Kiel of St. Louis in calling a conference of mayors in St. Louis for March 3 and 4. The object of the conference, it was stated, will be to start a nationwide movement in support of President Wilson's preparedness policies.

To Remain in Austria

AMSTERDAM, Feb. 3.—(Via London, 3:15 p. m.)—Reports from Vienna say that Dr. Karl Helfferich, secretary of the imperial German treasury, intends to prolong his stay in Austria for a longer time than was expected, owing to unforeseen difficulties in arranging a financial agreement with Dr. Ritter von Lech, Austrian minister of finance. Dr. Helfferich also is expected to visit Sofia and Constantinople on a similar mission and especially regarding an arrangement for new loans for Bulgaria and Turkey.

PROSPERITY TALK

Ten many automobiles in the car to make of dollars of dollars, as nothing in a Washington investigation and show the state of the world the prospects.

SPEEDING HOME PLEASED WITH TRIP'S RESULTS

Satisfied Beyond His Highest Expectations, Wilson Says.

NEXT SWING TO TAKE HIM THROUGH SOUTH?

Finishes Tour in St. Louis; May Visit Texas on Next Jaunt.

As He Hurries Home Message Tells Him of "Rush Business"

ON BOARD PRESIDENT WILSON'S SPECIAL TRAIN, INDIANAPOLIS, Feb. 3.—President Wilson received from Secretary Lansing today what members of his party characterized as "very important dispatches" relating to the foreign situation. Their exact contents were not revealed, but it was understood they related to the Lusitania and Appian cases.

A final settlement of the Lusitania case is expected soon after the president arrives in Washington. He is determined that Germany make full disclosure and reparation, and it is understood he will be satisfied with nothing less. What attitude Germany has taken or will take toward the last suggestion sent forward by Count von Bernstorff could not be learned tonight.

APPROVE \$3,000,000 PURCHASE

Illinois Central Plans Many Extensive Improvements.

CHICAGO, Feb. 3.—President Markham of the Illinois Central announced today that the directors of the road have approved the purchase of \$3,000,000 worth of new equipment largely for new locomotives and passenger cars to be used between Chicago and New Orleans. The order is said to be the largest in recent years in addition to a previous large order which is to be delivered within the next thirty days. Delivery on today's order is set for September 1. It is stated that while steel mills are crisscrossed with business, the car shops have been and the contract will give employment to several thousand additional car builders.

Mississippi River High

BIELHOLM, Iowa, Feb. 3.—The Mississippi is higher than it has been for over twenty years at this time of the year. The stage is thirteen feet above low water mark. The river has been broken over since 6 o'clock this morning.

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The Missouri continues to fall here, now being only one foot above low water stage. A fall of six feet in one week. The temperature was 18 today, zero tonight.

He is Coming Home.

ROME, via Paris, Feb. 3.—(15:15 p. m.)—Oleky Arnold of Rhode Island, American agent and correspondent at Cairo, Egypt, landed at Naples today from the United States cruiser Des Moines. Mr. Arnold said he was on his way home to remain there permanently.

Repair Battleship

BOSTON, Feb. 3.—The battleship Georgia, which has been undergoing repairs at the Charleston navy yard, was placed in seawater today and her crew sent to Philadelphia. It was stated that there was much work still to be done on the ship and that her men were needed for other ships.

Where Credit is Due.

The Spindler Conservatory of Music, under whose auspices the great artist was brought to Tulsa, handled the entire event in a splendid manner and not only gave the music-loving population of the state an unusual treat but furnished Tulsa with some very effective advertising and publicity. It is their intention to present other famous artists from time to time.

As an indication of the widespread interest in the concert a woman called Convention hall on the telephone and explained that she could not afford to pay \$4 to hear Paderewski, but would the management of the hall be so kind as to let her listen to the playing over the phone? This of course was impossible on account of the arrangement of the telephone.

Dim Lights on Stage Ordered by Artist; Hundreds of Visitors.

PADEREWSKI played at Convention hall last night before the largest and most representative crowd that ever attended a musical event in Oklahoma. He played as only Paderewski can play and the prolonged applause after each number was sufficient evidence that the music lovers in the audience were enthralled with the performance.

More than four thousand persons heard the concert. Every seat was sold. City authorities presented the management from placing extra chairs in the aisles, but at the last minute about two hundred persons, as attending every ticket at \$1 each. The concert began at 8:20 o'clock and was over at 10:20 o'clock. Paderewski and his party, consisting of Mrs. Paderewski, a manager, a maid, a secretary, a treasurer, a music tutor and several others, left in their private car attached to the Frisco train that left here for St. Louis at 11 o'clock. They were bound for Chicago where the virtuoso is scheduled to give his next concert.

Even Sold S. R. O.

Many persons in the audience wondered at the peculiar lighting arrangements of Convention hall. The stage was almost in darkness. Paderewski demanded that practically all of the stage lights be turned off while he was playing. It was a whim of his that has always been one of his most prominent characteristics.

All doors were locked before he began playing and no one was admitted during the rendition of the program.